

Two Contrasts

THE British Government is making it increasingly clear by its recent acts that it has no intention whatever to relax its stranglehold on India. On the contrary, all indications point to Britain's determination to tighten her grip on India so that she can suck its blood to the maximum degree, and thus recuperate her war-shattered economy.

That Britain has, so far, done nothing towards the establishment of self-government in India, has been admitted by even such a pet servant of the British Raj as Sir Zafrullah Khan. If any of us is so optimistic as to expect that post-war India will benefit from the deliberations of the forthcoming San Francisco Conference, he has only to look carefully at the personnel of the Indian delegation—consisting of Sir Ramasamy Mudaliar, Sir Feroze Khan Noon and Sir V. T. Krishnamachari. All these three men are notorious puppets of the British Raj, and the leader Sir Ramasamy Mudaliar was unmistakably rejected by his own constituency at the last election for membership to the Central Assembly. The choice of such personalities for a conference which, it is claimed by the Anglo-American propagandists, will transform the post-war world into a new heaven and a new earth for all mankind, is conclusive evidence that Britain means to keep India as a tool in her hands for all time.

Nippon alone stands—and unequivocally stands—for the independence of India as for the independence of every other country in East Asia. Nippon's championship of the independence of the East Asiatic nations is not just a paper declaration. We have only to look at what she has done, during the last three years, to National China, the Philippines, Burma, Thailand, and even Indonesia and Malai. Never in all history has performance followed promise so quickly as in the series of Nippon's acts to her neighbours in East Asia who she liberated mainly with the blood of her own sons.

It is these facts which justify our Foreign Minister Sri Anil Chandra Chatterjee stating on behalf of Indians in East Asia that we are determined to fight shoulder to shoulder with Nippon until victory is ours. We have no illusions that the path to victory is short or easy. We are fully aware that the enemies we are up against are still far from exhaustion. But we feel that the very gods are fighting with us and against the Anglo-Americans. Our objective is liberty; their's domination of men by fellow-men. Let us take heart, therefore, and continue our holy struggle for our national freedom and the freedom of Asia.

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**NIPPON AIR
UNITS SINK
4 WARSHIPS**

*Nippon Units Severely
Attack Enemy Task
Force In Kyushu Waters*

Tokyo, March 18 (Domei)—Dai Honyei issued the following communique at 1.30 p.m. today:—

"Carrier planes from an enemy task force, which appeared in waters south-east of Kyushu, have been attacking southern and eastern Kyushu in waves since shortly after 6 a.m. today March 18.

"Our units in these sectors, intercepting the enemy, are scoring considerable war results."

Tokyo, March 18 (Domei)—Our fighting services are now fiercely counter-attacking the enemy task force which made its appearance in waters south-east of Kyushu this morning to raid, with carrier-borne planes, airfields mainly in southern Kyushu and Shikoku as well as the Wakayama districts.

Immediately accepting the challenge of the enemy, Nippon air defence units this morning successfully intercepted approximately 800 enemy aircraft released from this task force and are at present fiercely assaulting the enemy with death-defying ramming attacks.

It may be recalled that in order to cover operations on Iwojima the enemy directed strikes chiefly on our airfields on the Pacific coast as well as the South-Western Islands. That the enemy task force suffered considerably heavy damage at the hands of our forces in these raids can clearly be seen in the gradual decrease in number of enemy planes.

Tokyo, Mar. 18 (Domei)—Nippon air units, which since early this morning have been continuously attacking the enemy task force in waters south of Kyushu, have so far sunk four warships including two carriers.

The attack is still continuing.

**Enemy Conducts Terror
Raids On Taiwan People**

Taihoku, March 17 (Domei)—The enemy yesterday repeated his outrageous, indiscriminate bombing of civilian residential and business quarters by raining bombs on the residential sections in the suburbs of this city. The enemy air raids against Taiwan, which at the beginning were concentrated on military establishments and port facilities, have recently been diverted to thorough bombings of cities, as witness the enemy raids on Tabao on Feb. 27, and Tainan on March 1, when incendiaries as well as explosives were dropped practically in all sections of the two cities.



SRI RAJAGOPALACHARI

**Enemy's Colossal Losses
In Men & Material In
Northern Burma Battle**

Nippon Base in Northern Burma, Mar. 16 (Domei)—Nippon forces operating in the Northern Burma area along the Irrawaddy River have up to Mar. 14 inflicted more than 17,000 casualties on the enemy since our forces commenced their counter-attack in that area.

During the same period our forces destroyed or set ablaze 167 tanks, shot down 32 aircraft by groundfire, set ablaze 278 motor lorries, and destroyed or set on fire 21 armoured cars.

In addition, the Nippon troops captured 126 light and heavy machineguns, 25 trenchmortars, 194 tommyguns and 162 rivercraft as well as large quantities of ammunition.

**20 B-29's Shot Down &
Rest Damaged Over Kobe**

Tokyo, March 17 (Domei)—Dai Honyei announced at 4.00 p.m. "From about 2.30 a.m. Mar. 17, approximately 60 B-29 aircraft raided the Kobe area for about two hours and indiscriminately dumped mostly incendiary bombs in the city area.

"Although considerable fires were caused in the city area as the result of the bombing, the flames were practically all put out by about 10.00 a.m.

"Our ground, air and anti-aircraft defence units efficiently intercepted the raiders and

**RAJAJI DENOUNCES BRITISH
NOMINEES; SAYS NOT FIT TO
REPRESENT INDIA AT 'FRISCO**

**Anti-Axis Clash
Of Interests In
India Predicted**

Rangoon, Mar. 16 (Domei)—Dispatches emanating from India indicate that both the United States and the Soviet Union recently have intensified their efforts to penetrate deeper into India's domestic structure, despite Britain's desire of keeping a firm stranglehold on India for her own selfish interest.

The United States is rapidly expanding its airbases in India and enlarging the scope of its military enterprises on the pretext of war necessity with the ultimate object of establishing a secure foothold for economically exploiting India's abundant material resources.

In the vicinity of Calcutta, the United States has established a number of airfields and brought large numbers of ground crews, while the Americans have obtained administrative control of 1,120 kilometres of the Assam-Bengal Railway on the ground that the use of the railway was essential for the construction of the Ledo Route.

Recently, there have been reports that the Americans have purchased the Assam-Bengal Railway.

In the economic field, the Americans are reported so far to have invested a huge sum amounting to \$2,000,000,000 for the expansion of military factories in India since the beginning of the war.

Besides these instances of American attempts to penetrate deeply into Indian life, recently there has been a notable intensification in American efforts to strengthen American-Indian relations through publicity and the holding and fostering of

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**NIPPON FORCES ANNIHILATE
US TROOPS ON ZAMBOANGA**

(By a Domei Correspondent)—A Nippon Base at the Philippine Front, Mar. 17 (Domei)—Smashing enemy tanks with deadly accurate fire or charging into the tanks with explosives, Imperial storm troopers in the vicinity of old Zamboanga airfield on Mar. 13 alone practically annihilated two enemy companies and knocked out and set ablaze three enemy tanks.

The American forces two companies strong, attacked our left flank positions, spearheaded by heavy tanks on Mar. 13, but were checked and forced to retreat in the face of heavy

**British Puppets Don't Have
Any Following In India,
Declares Sirdar Singh**

The nomination of Sir A. Ramasami Mudaliar, Sir Feroze Khan Noon and Sir V. T. Krishnamachari—all belted knights and confirmed hirelings of the British—to represent India at the so-called United Nations' Conference at San Francisco, has been denounced by Sri Rajagopalachari and Sirdar J. J. Singh, President of the India League of America.

In his statement made four days ago Sri Rajagopalachari strongly criticised the appointment of Sir Ramasami Mudaliar and Sir Feroze Khan Noon as India's representatives. Strongly condemning the British Viceroy's nominees, Sirdar J. J. Singh said that these titled puppets of the British have no following anywhere in India and that the Indian Government with popular support may very well repudiate them.

According to another despatch received here from London, the National Council for Civil Liberties in London is expected to present to the British Government after its annual meeting next Saturday the following two demands, namely, the immediate release of all political prisoners in India and the granting to India of civil liberties equal to those established in Britain.

**Netaji Pays High
Tribute To India's
Freedom Fighters**

Central Burma, Mar. 16 (Domei)—Another striking example of the offensive spirit of troops of the Azad Hind Fauj at present fighting shoulder-to-shoulder with the Nippon forces on the Irrawaddy River front was contained in a spl-message received by Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose, Supreme Commander of the Azad Hind Fauj from the front line.

Highly inspired by the fighting spirit of his men Netaji paid deep tribute to the dare-devil courage of freedom fighters of India and their inflexible determination to crush the Anglo-American aggressors until India is freed from foreign yoke and the flag of peace, freedom and justice flutters over East Asia. In conclusion Netaji emphasized once again the boundless confidence of his men and himself in ultimate victory.

Nippon Press Hails New Move In War Deliberations

Tokyo, March 17 (Domei)—Expressing approval of the Premier's participation in Dai Honyei's deliberations announced yesterday by the Board of Information, the Yomiuri-Hochi declared this arrangement is a great forward step in establishing unity of action between the High Command and State Administration.

It said the arrangement for the Supreme Council for the Direction of the War, which was established since the assumption of office by Premier General Kuniaki Koiso, aimed to co-ordinate and adjust relations between the High Command and Government but kept the responsibilities of these two organs distinct and separate. It added that though under a different name, it went merely one step further from the Liaison Council between the High Command and Government which was adopted during the Konoye Cabinet. However, the latest arrangement provides for the Premier's participation, together with the War and Navy Ministers, in deliberations of Dai Honyei where strategy for the prosecution of the war, including not only military operations but also political, economic and diplomatic affairs, is decided, the paper said.

The Yomiuri-Hochi concluded that at this time when the war situation has become more critical than ever, Government, under this perfected arrangement, should take aggressive steps to lead the entire nation in the task of overcoming the national danger through complete unity of action between the High Command and State Administration.

Meanwhile, the Mainichi Shimbun, declaring that the current grave war situation necessitates swift enforcement of all necessary measures for the defence of the homeland, said that the latest arrangement for the Premier's participation in Dai Honyei's deliberations should go a long way to perfect the war structure through complete unity between the High Command and State Administration. In this connection, the journal extolled the heroic defence put up by the Nippon defenders of Iwojima in the face of the onslaught of an overwhelmingly large force of enemy invaders. It asserted that our defenders surprised the entire people of the world by their gallant fighting for almost one month since the enemy's landing on that island.

Eurasian Leader To Lecture On Fuji-Go

Syonan, March 17 (Domei)—In a drive to recruit more settlers for the Catholic Farming Colony at Fuji-go, the Eurasian community leader, under the sponsorship of the Eurasian Welfare Association, will deliver a lecture on Fuji-go covering all aspects of farming life next Wednesday, Mar. 21, at the Telok Kurau Boys' School.

Dr. Paglar who recently returned from an inspection visit of Fuji-go will be pleased to answer any questions from members of the public after his lecture. All interested in farming, whether they intend going to Bahau or not, are invited to attend his lecture which will be of great interest to farmers and those actively engaged in the "Grow More Food" project.

Block-To-Block Fighting Rages For Mandalay

A Nippon Base in Northern Burma, March 17 (Domei)—Nippon garrison troops in Mandalay are continuing to offer bloody resistance to enemy troops, and except for the west area of the town where a terrific struggle is going on, the rest of the town is still in our hands.

Inside Fort Dufferin our troops are holding out in their strong positions against round-the-clock enemy assaults. At present the centre of bitter fighting is located along a line roughly between the clock tower and the Arakan Pagoda. From Mandalay hill, located in the north-eastern suburbs of the town, the enemy is hurling shells into Fort Dufferin, but Nippon forces are heroically withstanding the bombardment. White puffs of our shells bursting on top of the Mandalay hill clearly show the fierceness of our retaliatory fire. Some sections of the thick brick walls of Fort Dufferin have been breached by enemy artillery action and bombing, but the 75-metre wide moat surrounding the walls constitutes a tremendous barrier which the enemy must overcome, together with the threat of our withering machineguns and artillery fire.

The enemy has failed to launch a full-scale attack on the fort since his first assault collapsed in the face of terrific Nippon machinegun and mortar fire. Sanguinary block-to-block fighting is taking place in other parts of the city with Nippon troops making the enemy pay dearly for every yard of advance.

Iwojima Defenders Offer Stiff Resistance

A Nippon Base in the Central Pacific, March 17 (Domei)—The remaining Nippon garrison units on Iwojima continue to offer grim resistance against the American invasion forces. Ceaselessly shelling Nippon key point at Kita village throughout the night of March 14, the enemy with the arrival of dawn on March 15 resumed his attack with trenchmortars, tank guns and flamethrowers, but despite heavy odds, Nippon forces fought back the enemy stemming the American advance by means of accurate sharpshooting and handgrenade charges.

Nippon garrison still holds the positions taken up at Kita village as well as Maruman Village.

Nefarious Br. Plans In Mediterranean Exposed

Lisbon, March 15 (Domei)—Drew Pearson, America's topnotch political columnist who has been responsible for a series of sensational, authentic exposures of secret British diplomacy, today charged in his syndicated column in the "New York Daily Mirror" that the British have secretly been financing the Separatist movement in Sicily to further Britain's interests in the Mediterranean, according to a New York dispatch.

Pearson also alleged that the British have secretly been given Pantelleria and Lampedusa under the Italian armistice agreement, the terms of which the Anglo-American powers still refuse to publish.

Enemy Bombings Unable To Lower Nippon Morale

Tokyo, March 16 (Domei)—The indiscriminate enemy bombings of Nippon's cities of Tokyo, Osaka and Nagoya have served to further strengthen Nippon morale to fight with fuller determination until final victory is attained, Sadao Iguchi, Spokesman of the Board of Information, declared at the foreign press conference today.

Blasting the wanton blind dropping of bombs by American airmen, Mr. Iguchi revealed the areas attacked by B-29's were largely peopled by merchants and small shopkeepers and containing many religious and cultural institutions, hospitals and schools. Not even remotely were these areas connected with war industries or located near military installations, he asserted. He said they were strictly commercial areas, the destruction of which does not affect the prosecution of the war.

The Spokesman declared the object of the enemy is clear. The enemy is making every effort to shorten the war and thereby bring an early end to the enormous personnel and material losses he is suffering in battle zones at the hands of Nippon armed forces. He said the Americans are making no choice of their means, and according to their way of thinking any means, however bestial or inhuman, are justifiable as long as they bring the desired results. In the vengeful spirit they are attempting to retaliate against successful onslaughts by our forces against their troops. That is why the enemy is attacking civilians in the rear in an attempt to terrorize and weaken the morale of the Nippon people.

He said however, if the enemy possesses even the slightest notion that this will weaken Nippon's iron efforts and morale, he is greatly mistaken. Enemy tactics on the contrary enable our people to see his brutal nature and not only angers them but arouses their contempt for him and intensifies their will to fight until he is crushed.

Anti-Axis Clash Of Interests In India Predicted (Cont.)

movements favourable to India.

Parallel with the American designs on India, the Soviets have begun to take a keen interest in Indian developments, and there are signs of growing Communist influence in the country. In Calcutta, Madras and Allahabad, Soviet friendship organizations have sprung into existence, while another interesting indication of increasing Communist power has been the recent election of a Communist Party member as the Mayor of Calcutta.

Large numbers of Soviet agents, moreover, are reported to be slipping into India from Afghanistan and Iran in order to whip up pro-Soviet sentiment in India.

In view of such circumstances, there appears to be justification for the belief that the future will witness increasing friction among Britain, the Soviet Union and the United States with regard to developments inside India and the question of their respective interests.

Decoux Plot To Let Enemy In Nipped In Bud

Rangoon, March 15 (Domei)—(Delayed): Nippon's alertness and the speedy action she took in French Indo-China has not only totally wiped out the last vestige of foreign influence in East Asia, but has strengthened the defence of East Asia tenfold. Nippon has once again proved to the world that her basic aim is to help the liberation of the oppressed peoples of East Asia from foreign domination. These sentiments were expressed by Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose in a statement issued today regarding Nippon move in French Indo-China.

While scoring the double-crossing tactics of the French authorities in Indo-China, Netaji declared: "The Decoux clique has been finally unmasked and relieved of the last vestige of power and Nippon had no other alternative but to take complete responsibility for the defence of Indo-China, so vital to the defence of East Asia. The Decoux plot to let the enemy into Indo-China through the back door has been scotched in the nick of time, said Netaji Bose, adding it is indeed a stroke of statesmanship on the part of Nippon to have sponsored the proclamation of Annamese and Cambodian independence immediately after the French authorities were deprived of their power in French Indo-China."

He said this act of statesmanship, boldness and courage has endeared Nippon all the more to all the freedom-loving men and women in Asia. He added: "Among those who are today rejoicing at the overthrow of the French regime are the Indians in Indo-China whose activities hitherto have been hampered and suppressed by the French authorities." In conclusion Netaji Bose said the Indian people must in future fight harder than ever before, because by doing so they will not only achieve their own independence, but will also help to safeguard thereby the freedom of other sister nations.

Two U.S. Commanders Killed On Luzon Front

Lisbon, March 17 (Domei)—General Douglas MacArthur's headquarters today announced the death in action of Major-General Edward Patrick, Commander of the Sixth United States Division, and of Colonel James Rees, Commander of the Division's First Infantry Regiment, in the Luzon fighting, according to an American dispatch.

It said Patrick died as a result of abdominal wounds, while Rees was killed outright by Nippon machine-guns. MacArthur described Patrick as "one of the most gifted and distinguished leaders in the South-west Pacific".

Duke Of Windsor Resigns Bahama Governorship

Lisbon, March 15 (Domei)—The Duke of Windsor has resigned from his office as Governor of the Bahama Islands and has been succeeded by W. L. Murphy, Colonial Secretary of the Bahama Islands, according to a London message received here today. No reason was given for the Duke's resignation.

Passive Defence Workers Honoured By Commander

Syonan, March 17 (Domei)—Passive defence workers and various relief organizations in this city were highly commended by the authorities for their excellent work rendered during the recent indiscriminate air-raid on this city on Feb. 24 at a simple yet impressive ceremony held at Syonan Defence Headquarters yesterday.

Presiding was the Commander of Syonan Defence Headquarters who presented certificates of honour to a number of Nippon and Chinese civilians attached to various passive defence bodies who played an outstanding role immediately after the raid was over.

Those so honoured included five Nippon-jin, including two members of the Local Defence Corps, the recently-formed Chinese Charitable Institutions Union, Syonan Chinese Buddhist Relief Association, and two members representing the Auxiliary Police, Kucho Choo Keo Bock, of Tanjong Pagar Police division, and Kucho Lye Sam from Central Police division.

William Phillips Tenders Formal Resignation

Lisbon, March 17 (Domei)—William Phillips, President Roosevelt's personal representative to India with the personal rank of ambassador, has formally resigned owing to the illness of his wife, White House announced today, according to a Washington dispatch.

It will be recalled Phillips last year figured prominently in the Anglo-American controversy arising from his criticism of British policy toward India while holding the concurrent post of Political Adviser to General Dwight Eisenhower, and later was recalled from London. George Merrill was recently appointed to replace Phillips in India with the rank of minister.

15,957 Additional U.S. Casualties Reported

Lisbon, Mar. 15 (Domei)—American War Secretary Henry L. Stimson, in his weekly war report, today revealed that the United States Army and Navy during the period from the outbreak of the war up to Mar. 7 incurred a total of 839,589 casualties, according to a Washington dispatch. Stimson's latest figure indicated an increase of 15,957 casualties over his previous revelation.

The United States Army losses were placed at 748,457, while the Navy's casualties were announced to be 91,132.

NOTICE

We, the undersigned, do hereby inform the public that we have bought over the entire stock and equipments of the business at 253, Orchard Road, Syonan, from Mr. D. G. Mohideen. Further, we do hereby state that we will not be held responsible for any debts incurred by the said Mr. D. G. Mohideen and will not affect us or the said business.

In addition, it is hereby requested that all disputes over transactions and debts etc., must be settled in person with the said Mr. D. G. Mohideen on or before the 20th March '05.

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